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Applicant : Rian R. Maloney
Serial No. : 09/872,392
Filed : June 1, 2001

Art Unit : 3628
Examiner : Harish T. Dass

Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING IMAGES FOR A CHECK SORTER

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In accordance with a telephone conference with the Examiner on November 14, 2006, Applicant encloses copies of the following documents that were filed on December 19, 2001 in Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 1, 2001:

1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts and copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
2. Notification of Extension of Time;
3. Signed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
4. A check in the amount of \$130 for the missing Declaration and a check in the amount of \$920 for a three-month extension of time;
5. Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail;
6. Acknowledgment postcard and Express Mail receipt; and
7. Date-stamped Express Mail receipt.

As discussed with the Examiner, Applicant is not attaching a copy of the Assignment included in this December 19, 2001 Response, which has already been recorded.

If additional information is required, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: November 14, 2006

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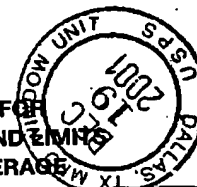


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Dear Sir:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

I hereby certify that the attached Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application (2 pages), a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the cost of this Response, Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application (1 page), Notification of Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, a check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the extension filing fee, Assignment Recordation Form and Assignment (3 pages), a check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the Assignment recordal fee, Declaration And Power Of Attorney (3 pages), Baker Botts return post card (1 post card) and this Certificate of Mailing are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on this 19th day of December, 2001 and are addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.


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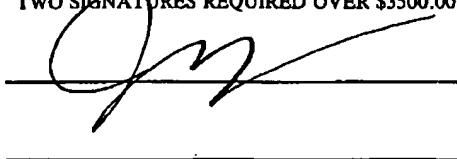
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed August 1, 2001. Applicant submits herewith:

- (a) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted.
- (b) A Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by Rian R. Maloney for the above-referenced patent application, which was filed June 1, 2001.
- (c) An Assignment signed by Rian R. Maloney, along with an Assignment cover sheet, for the above-referenced patent application.

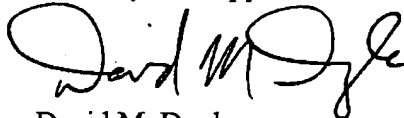
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Applicant has enclosed a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the cost of this Response. Applicant also requests an extension of time of three (3) months, and a Notification of Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any extra fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,
BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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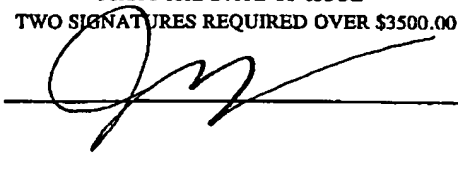
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Dear Sir:

NOTIFICATION OF EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Applicant hereby takes an Extension of Time for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed August 1, 2001 for three (3) months from October 1, 2001 to December 1, 2001.

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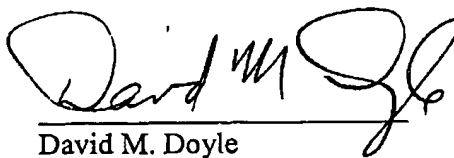
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As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, that I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING IMAGES FOR A CHECK SORTER, the specification of which

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That I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Full name of first inventor

Rian R. Maloney

Inventor's signature



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